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ANECDOTE OF ALEXANDER HAMILTON.—
Hamilton was once applied to for professional
assistance by a man of New York city, who
held the guardianship of several orphan chil-
dren. These children, then very young, would,
on coming of age, if they had their rights, suc-
ceed to the possession of a large and valuable
estate. In the title deeds of this estate the
guardian had discovered material defects, and
he thought he saw a way, with the assistance
of an able lawyer, by which he could secure
the title of the whole property to himself. He
opened to Hamilton the whole business, exhib-
iting copies of the title deeds, and explaining
how he would like to proceed, and he promised
to the great jurist a large reward if he
would undertake the business. Hamilton said
he must give to a matter so important due
thought before he decided, and set a time for
his client to call again.

The guardian called according to appoint-
ment. Hamilton had put in writing faithful
minutes of their former conversation, which,
upon his second visit, he read aloud.

"I think," said Hamilton, when he had
finished reading, "that that is a true statement
of your plans?"

"Yes, sir," answered the client. "That is
correct, and now, if I may ask, what have you
decided?"

"I will tell you, sir," replied Hamilton,
sternly, "you are now completely in my power,
and I consider myself as the future guardian of
those unfortunate orphans. I have decided
that you will settle with them honorably, to
the very last penny, or I will hunt you from
the surface of the earth!"

It may be unnecessary to add that the false-
hearted guardian did not pursue his nefarious
scheme any further.

HAND SHAKING.—How did people get in
the habit of shaking hands? The answer is
not far to seek. In early and barbarous times,
when every savage or semi savage was his own
law-giver, judge, soldier and policeman, and
had to watch over his own safety, in default
of all other protection, two friends and acquain-
tances, or two strangers desiring to be friends
and acquaintances, when they chanced to meet,
offered each to the other the right hand, the
hand alike of offense and defense—the hand
that wields the sword, the dagger, the club,
the tomahawk, or other weapon of war. Each
did this to show that the hand was empty, and
neither was nor treachery intended. A man
cannot well stab another while he is in the act
of shaking hands with him, unless he is a
double dyed traitor and villain, and strives to
aim a cowardly blow with the left while giving
the right hand and pretending to be on good
terms with his victim.

The custom of hand-shaking prevails more
or less among all civilized nations, and is the
tacit avowal of friendship and good will, just
as a kiss is of warmer passion. Ladies, as every
one must have remarked, seldom or never
shake hands with the cordiality of gentlemen,
unless it be with each other. The reason is
obvious. It is for them to receive homage, not
to give it. They cannot be expected to show
to persons of the other sex a warmth of greet-
ing which might be misinterpreted, unless
such persons are very closely related to them by
family or affection, in which case hand-shaking
is not needed, and the lips do more agreeable
duty.

LOCUSTS IN ALGERIA.—An Algerian paper,
says the London Echo, gives an interesting ac-
count of a struggle between the farmers of the
colony and one of the most tremendous swarms
of locusts that have ever descended upon the
plains of Algeria. As soon as the distant cloud
of invaders was perceived, every effort was
made by the terrified agriculturists to prevent
the descent of the hungry myriads upon their
pastures, while, on the other hand, the locusts
were equally determined to alight and take re-
freshments. In order to keep the insect host
in the higher strata of the atmosphere, where
a change of wind might at any moment carry
them away, the farmers lit fires with damp
weeds, and by collecting all their kitchen uten-
sils, ringing all the bells, and shouting at the
top of their voices, they produced such a con-
cert of hideous sounds that, for a time, the
locusts preferred famine to the din, and re-
mained in the air; but at length hunger and
fatigue overpowered them, and they decided
on leaving the war and falling to the ground,
where the green fields and trees suddenly turned
yellow under the multitudes which instantly
covered them. All through the night was
heard one continuous and potent sound—
that of myriads of invisible jaws engaged in
mastication—and next morning the battle re-
commenced, but the latest advice are of a dis-
couraging nature, as they report that the lo-
custs are engaged, not only in eating, but in
laying eggs.

MR. ARTHUR HASELDEN, the English gen-
tleman whose kidnapping by Spanish brigands
was noticed a short time ago, has got out of the
hands of his captors without suffering any
bodily harm. To procure his liberation, Mr.
Haselden's friends were obliged to count down
to the robbers the round sum of \$2000. The
account which the rescued captive gives of his
sojourn in the fastnesses of the Sierra Morena
is highly interesting. The brigands informed
him that if his ransom was not forthcoming he
they would shoot him, but in other respects he
was treated with kindness and consideration,
being regularly and supplied with food,
wine and tobacco. In the morning dispatched
to Mr. Haselden's friends minute and some-
what peculiar directions were given with refer-
ence to the sending of the money. It was to
be carried by a messenger dressed in black,
with a white hat and a red handkerchief in his
hand, mounted on a white mule and unarmed.
When the ransom arrived by an envoy strictly
complying with these conditions of appearance,
Mr. Haselden was immediately liberated. The
chief of the bandits gave him \$6 for expenses
on the road, remarking that it would not be
right to send him away without the means of
reaching home.

"I would not be a woman, for then I could
not love her," says Montague. Lady M. W.
Montague says, "The only objection I have to
be a man is that I should then have to marry
a woman."

An apothecary asserted in a large company
that all bitter things were hot. "No," replied
a physician, "a bitter cold day is an exception."

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.



Nearly all diseases originate from Indigestion
and Torpidity of the Liver, and relief is always
anxiously sought after. If the Liver is Regu-
lated in its action, health is almost invariably
secured. Want of action in the Liver causes
Headache, Constipation, Jaundice, Pain in the
Shoulders, Cough, Chills, Blisters, Sour Stom-
ach, bad taste in the mouth, bilious attacks, pal-
pitation of the heart, depression of spirits, or the
blues, and a hundred other symptoms, for which
SIMMONS' LIVER REGULATOR is the best
remedy that has ever been discovered. Its ac-
tion is mild, effectual, and being a simple vegetable
compound, can do no injury in any quantities
that it may be taken. It is harmless in every
way; it has been used for FORTY YEARS, and
hundreds of the good and great from all parts of
the country will vouch for its being the purest
and best.

SIMMONS' LIVER REGULATOR, OR MEDICINE.

Is harmless.
Is no drastic violent medicine,
Is sure to cure if taken regularly,
Is no intoxicating beverage,
Is a faultless family medicine,
Is the cheapest medicine in the world,
Is given with safety and the happiest results to
the most delicate infants.
Does not interfere with business,
Does not disarrange the system,
Takes the place of Quinine and Bitters of every
kind.
Contains the simplest and best remedies.
FOR SALE BY ALL DRUGGISTS.

je 22-24

W. FRANKLIN CREIGHTON,

Wholesale and Retail Dealer in
DRUGS, CHEMICALS, PATENT MEDI-
CINES, PAINTS, OILS, DYE STUFFS,
GARDEN SEED, &c., &c., &c.,
No. 85 King street, (under Sarcopa Hall),
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA.
Physicians' Prescriptions carefully compound-
ed. Orders will receive prompt attention.
mh 24-25

H. H. COOK, HENRY COOK.

HENRY COOK & CO.,

Wholesale and Retail Dealers in
PURE DRUGS AND CHEMICALS, PAINTS,
VARNISHES AND OILS,
WINDOW GLASS AND PUTTY.
No. 107 King street.
Prompt attention given to orders and inquir-
ies from the country.
jan 30

ESTABLISHED 1792, S. LEADBEATER & BRO.

DEALERS IN
PURE DRUGS AND MEDICINES,
CHEMICALS, PAINTS, OILS,
VARNISHES, GARDEN SEEDS,
SPOICES, ACIDS, &c.,
Nos. 5 and 7 South Fairfax st.,
Alexandria, Va.
ang 2-14

SAMUEL H. JANNEY, MAHLON H. JANNEY.

JANNEY & CO.,

DEALERS IN
PURE DRUGS, LEWIS' WHITE LEAD,
Paints, Oils and Varnishes,
FRENCH WINDOW GLASS & PUTTY.
No. 145 King street.
Orders and Inquiries from the country
promptly attended to.
sep 25-27

BUILDING MATERIAL.

VIRGINIA SASH, DOOR AND FRAME

AND PLANING MILL,
N. E. COR. FAIRFAX AND QUEEN STS.

An assortment of
READY-MADE WORK
constantly on hand, such as
DOORS, SASHES, BLINDS, FRAMES,
MOULDINGS, BRACKETS, NEW-
ELS, BALUSTERS, &c., &c.
Will buy and trade for Walnut and Ash Logs.
RISHBELL & HOOGE,
Alexandria, Virginia.
feb 10

B. F. PEAKE, JOHN W. PEAKE.

B. F. PEAKE & CO.,

(Successors to J. S. W. Nalls, Son & Co.)
DEALERS IN
DOORS, SASH, BLINDS, PAINTS, HARD-
WARE, LEADS, OILS, CEMENT,
CALCINED PLASTER, &c.,
No. 187 King street,
Alexandria, Virginia.
feb 2-14

WANTED.

WANTED—1,000 MOLASSES BARRELS
by CHAS. S. TAYLOR, JR.,
my 12 6 Prince street.

1000 EMPTY COAL OIL BARRELS
wanted by C. S. TAYLOR, JR.,
jan 19 6 Prince street.

WANTED—GOOD BROOM CORN.
C. S. TAYLOR, JR.,
jan 19 6 Prince street.

H. H. HEMPLEY,

MECHANICAL OPTICIAN,

MANUFACTURER OF
THERMOMETERS, BAROMETERS AND
HYDROMETERS, MATHEMATICAL
AND OPTICAL INSTRUMENTS,
No. 433 Pennsylvania avenue, corner 41 street,
WASHINGTON, D. C.
SPECIALTY—Farmers' Barometers, \$10, and
Artificial Eyes.
Washington, my 4-20

JUST RECEIVED—Ward Oil, Radway's

Relief, Centaur Liniment, Davis' Pain Kill-
er, Little's White Oil, Gargling Oil, Mustang
Liniment, Pierce's Kidney and Sholl's Rad-
way's, Wright's, Chamberlain's and Graffenberg
Pills.
HENRY COOK & CO.,
107 King street.
je 27

WE KEEP constantly on hand an assort-
ment of READY-MADE WORK, such
as Doors, Sashes, Blinds, Frames, Mouldings,
Brackets, &c.,
feb 12

REMNANTS! REMNANTS!
We sell all Remnants of Summer and
Winter Dress Goods at half price.
D. F. BRASHEAR,
je 20 109 King street, Alexandria, Va.

A FRESH LOT OF SARDINES, halves
and quarters received this day and for sale
by W. F. BROOKES,
aug 6 147 King street.

TAYLOR'S WELL-MADE BROOMS and
WHISKS in store and for sale at 147 King
street.
aug 6 W. F. BROOKES.

POMADES, HAIR OIL and PERFUMERY
of various varieties in store and for sale at
107 King street.
je 27 HENRY COOK & CO.

FINEST TEAS for sale by
J. C. MILBURN,
aug 8 19 north Royal st.

HAIR GOODS.

HAIR GOODS! HAIR GOODS!

AT

GREEN'S NOTION HOUSE

AND

HAIR GOODS MANUFACTORY.

Just received several large invoices of

REAL HAIR,

of recent importation. All shades of best

REAL HAIR,

from the raven black to the beautiful blonde.

REAL HAIR,

of every length, and every shade of color.

REAL HAIR,

manufactured into any design required.

REAL HAIR,

All Hair Goods manufactured here warranted

satisfactory.

REAL HAIR,

You positively get your own hair when left to

be made up.

REAL HAIR,

Prices guaranteed to be decidedly under mar-
ket value.

CHARLES W. GREEN,

aug 20-2001 76 King street.

CABINET FURNITURE.

JOHN A. MUIR, JAS. F. MUIR.

JAMES F. MUIR & BRO.,

[Successors to Wm. H. Muir & Son,]
Manufacturers of and Dealers in
FURNITURE,
111 and 113 KING STREET,
ALEXANDRIA, VA.
A large and full stock always on hand. je 31

JAMES H. DEVAUGHN,

Manufacturer and Dealer in
FURNITURE,
No. 130 King street,
ALEXANDRIA, VA.

LOOKING GLASSES,
HAIR, COTTON TOP
AND HUSB MATRESSES,
kept constantly on hand and made to order at
reasonable prices.
In order to secure prompt attention orders
should be addressed to
JAMES H. DEVAUGHN,
my 18-14 No. 130 King street.

STEPHEN A. GREEN, JAMES E. GREEN.

GREEN & BROTHER'S

STEAM

Furniture Works and Saw Mill

ALEXANDRIA, VA.

Having fitted up our factory with the latest
and most approved machinery, we are pre-
pared to furnish all kinds of HOUSE, OFFICE
and SCHOOL FURNITURE at the very lowest
rates; and are also prepared to do all kinds of
SAWING and TURNING, MOULDING
PLANING and CARVING in our line.
Wanted, in exchange for the Furniture, Wal-
nut, Poplar, Oak, Maple, Birch and Cedar
Logs.
je 8-14

NEW GOODS! NEW GOODS!

Mustang Liniment, Brown's De-
fricage, Gum Opium, White and Black Cos-
metic, French Dressing for Ladies' Shoes, White Ja-
maica Ginger, Nutmegs, Cashmere Bouquet
Sash, White Mustard Seed, Tooth Picks, Alk-
snet Root, Sassafras, Spirits Turpentine, Rock-
bridge Alum Water, &c., just received by
HENRY COOK & CO.,
107 King street.
aug 20

MOSQUITO NET! MOSQUITO NET!

New and Improved Mosquito Net, Canopies,
Mosquito Net Fixtures and Patent-finish bed-
steads, for large or small bedrooms—the
best stock of goods in this line ever offered in
this city. Long experience enables us to main-
tain our reputation.
J. P. CLARKE,
aug 6 108 King st.

GREY AND BROWN DEBEGES.

More of the above very cheap goods just re-
ceived.
je 29 D. F. WITMER CO.

HALFMAN & ROWLAND'S TRIM-
MERS' SHOVELS and Coal SCOUPS,
wholesale and retail, at less than regular rates.
J. T. CREIGHTON & SON,
aug 11 88 King street, corner Royal.

MILLER'S NEURALGIA PILLS—Have
this day received another supply of the
above Pills—a sure cure for Neuralgia. For
sale by
aug 13 W. F. CREIGHTON.

WOOD AND COAL.

CHEAP WOOD! —

REDUCTION OF PRICES!

Having established the business in this city
for the convenience of the public, and having
met with liberal patronage, I take pleasure in
informing the citizens that from this date until
further notice, I will sell SAWED and SPLIT
WOOD at the following reduced rates:
Oak Wood per cord.....\$6.25
Pine ".....5.25

With the reduction in price, however, I shall
be compelled to require cash on delivery
J. E. ROSE,
aug 24-1m Corner Fairfax and Queen sts.

COAL! COAL! COAL!

On the wharf and to arrive a full stock of all
kinds of

ANTHRACITE and CUMBERLAND

COAL.

Sold at market rates per ton 2240 lbs.

aug 14-14 W. A. SMOUT, Smoot's wharf.

CENTRAL COAL AND WOOD YARD,

NORTH COLUMBUS STREET,

Two Doors from King.

To arrive per schooner Gilbert Green, a cargo
of WHITE ASH COAL, Egg, Stove and Nut
sizes, of good quality. For sale from vessel or
yard.

Keep on hand LYKEN'S VALLEY RED

ASH, EGG, STOVE and NUT COAL; also

WHITE ASH.

SAWED and SPLIT WOOD.
aug 4-3m A. S. PERPENER.

COAL! COAL!

We have now on hand and are constantly re-
ceiving at our wharf and storage yards, foot of
Queen streets, all the best COALS known to
this market. We name in part:

LYKEN'S VALLEY.

SHAMOKIN and EAST FRANKLIN LOB-
BERRY RED ASH.

JOHN'S, from EAGLE VEIN COLLIERY.

The celebrated CONTINENTAL and HAZ-
ZEL DELL, from the Goodrich Colliery, es-
teemed the best in the market.

And LEE and STANTON WHITE ASH

ANTHRACITE COAL, of Steamer, Broken,
Egg Stone and Nut sizes.

Also, GEORGE'S CREEK CUMBERLAND

COAL.

Also HICKORY, OAK and PINE WOOD.

Having ample space, each variety of Coal is
kept distinct from that of others, and is es-
pecially prepared for family use. Yards floor-
ed and Coal sent out well screened and free from
slag, 2240 lbs to the ton. Orders left with
Messrs. Carridge & Frigg, Auctioneers, King and
Royal sts., or orders will be promptly filled.
T. J. McHAFFEY & CO.,
je 17 Wharf and Yards foot of Queen st.

J. P. AGNEW,

Agent for the

Sale and shipment of best quality

GEORGE'S CREEK,

CUMBERLAND and

ANTHRACITE COAL.

Either by the cargo, car load or retail.
Coal Docks, Alexandria, Va., and George-
town, D. C.
jan 9-14

DRY GOODS.

PRETZELDER & BENDHEIM,

144 King street.

Have just received a large lot of WHITE and

COLORADO MOSQUITO NETTING, which

they are selling at 5 c. 62 and 75 c. per piece.

EXTRA BARGAINS IN VICTORIA

LAWNS, a splendid quality, 20 and 25 c. per yd.

A new line of LADIES' BELTS, the very

latest styles.

Also the finest assortment of EMBROID-
ERIES we have had this season, of many beau-
tiful styles, and at greatly reduced prices. aug 1

JUST RECEIVED—Another supply of those

beautiful SIDE BAND CALICOES, also

BELLS' BLACK KID GLOVES, Embroidered

and Tucked, Linen Cambric HANDKER-
CHIEFS, SILK-TIES, HOSIERY, Gauze

Vests, Suspenders, Corsets, Shirt Fronts, Hoop

Skirts, Parasols, Lace Veils, Points, &c., to-
gether with a great many other cheap and de-
sirable goods.
je 31 D. F. BRASHEAR.

BELTS! BELTS!

A full line just received.
je 2 D. F. WITMER & CO.

SILK-FACED LENOS,
for

GRENADINE LININGS,
just to hand.
je 27 D. F. WITMER CO.

NEW GOODS.

Cambric Edgings and Insertings very cheap,
Windsor Scarfs, Spanish Scarfs, Lace, Hoop

Skirts, Kid Gloves for ladies and gents, Dress

Buttons in great variety, Silk and Morocco

Belts, &c., for ladies, gents and children,
&c., &c., just opened at
my 25 C. C. BERRY'S.

DAMECE, PUCHY and LLAMA LACE

JACKETS.
Another large invoice at
my 25 D. F. WITMER CO'S.

JUST OPENED—GENTLEMEN'S SILK UMBRELLAS.

These goods are in different sizes, say 26, 28

and 30 inches. The attention of dealers is espe-
cially called to this line of goods. Also our

third regular supply of LADIES' PARASOLS

and SUN UMBRELLAS, at all prices and very

cheap.
je 16 ROBT. L. WOOD.

SHIRTS! SHIRTS!

We are furnishing all of the latest styles,
made by measure, and a fit guaranteed in every

instance. Bosoms one, two or three ply, as de-
sired. Call and have your measure taken.
my 8 D. F. WITMER CO.

LACE MANTLES and JACKETS—In great

variety; latest styles, and at all prices,
opened this morning.
my 8 D. F. WITMER CO.

OLD FASHIONED DRESS GOODS FOR

LADIES.
We have a lot of goods that have accumulated
from year to year, some of which are very de-
sirable. To close them out we have put a price
on them that will make them sell.
Call and see them.
je 29 ROBT. L. WOOD.

BLACK LLAMA LACE JACKETS.

Another large invoice of Llamma Lace Jackets,
Points and Veils, very desirable, just opened by
je 28 D. F. BRASHEAR.

NAVY BLUE and PLUM PARASOLS

SUN UMBRELLAS.

A beautiful line just opened at
je 25 D. F. WITMER CO'S.

BLACK GRENADINES—A splendid line

received this morning.
my 16 D. F. WITMER CO.

ARCTIC SODA WATER